REMARKS

The present amendment seeks to place the application in better conformance with U.S. practice. A page containing an abstract of the disclosure is enclosed.

The undersigned calls the Examiner's attention to a presently relevant patent application (having attorney docket number MO 6586) that is being filed concurrent with the instant patent application.

Entry of the amendment is requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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VERSION TO SHOW MARKINGS WITH CHANGES MADE

The title of the application has been amended as follows:

[Novel holographic recording material] HOLOGRAPHIC RECORDING MATERIAL.

The claims have been amended as follows:

- 2. (Amended) Recording material according to claim 1, characterised in that the dye [, of which there is at least one,] changes its spatial arrangement in such a manner that it [changes its absorption behaviour, in particular] lowers its sensitivity to the actinic light [, preferably reduces it] by from 10 % to 100 %[, more preferably from 50 % to 100 % and most preferably from 90 to 100 %, in each case] based on the sensitivity prior to recording of the first hologram.
- 3. (Amended) Recording material according to claim 1, characterised in that the dye, of which there is at least one, changes its spatial arrangement in such a manner that it [changes its absorption behaviour, in particular] lowers its sensitivity to the actinic light [, especially] in that it flips into the direction perpendicular to the polarising direction of the actinic light and its molecular longitudinal axis comes to lie at an angle with the polarising direction of the actinic light of from 10° to 90° [, preferably from 50° to 90°, more preferably from 75° to 90° and most preferably from 85° to 90°].
- 4. (Amended) Recording material according to [one or more of claims 1 to 3,] claim 1 characterised in that it has an optical density \leq 2 [, preferably less than or equal to 1, more preferably less than or equal to 0.3,] in a wavelength range of from 390 to 800 nm [, preferably from 400 to 650 nm, more preferably from 510 to 570 nm and most preferably from 520 to 570 nm].
- 5. (Amended) Recording material according to [one or more of claims 1 to 4,] <u>claim 1</u> characterised in that it has an irradiated thickness of \geq 0.1 mm [, preferably > 0.5 mm, more preferably > 1.0 mm, most preferably not greater than 5 cm] .

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- 6. (Amended) Recording material according to [one or more of claims 1 to 5,] <u>claim 1</u> characterised in that it contains predominantly polymeric or oligomeric organic material.
- 7. (Amended) Recording material according to [one or more of claims 1 to 6,] <u>claim 1</u> characterised in that the optical density of the recording material is adjusted [, preferably] *via* the concentration of the dye [, of which there is at least one].
- 8. (Amended) Recording material according to [one or more of claims 1 to 7,] <u>claim 1</u> characterised in that the optical density is adjusted *via* the molar extinction coefficient of the dye [, of which there is at least one].
- 9. (Amended) Recording material according to [one or more of claims 1 to 8,] <u>claim 1</u> characterised in that it is <u>an amorphous member selected from the group consisting of polymeric organic, and [or] oligomeric organic material [, amorphous material, preferably side-chain polymers and/or block copolymers and/or graft polymers].</u>
- 10. (Amended) Recording material according to [one or more of claims 1 to 9,] claim 1 characterised in that the electromagnetic radiation is light in the wavelength range of [laser, preferably from] 390 to 800 nm [, more preferably from 400 to 650 nm, more preferably still from 510 to 570 nm, most preferably from 520 nm to 570 nm].
- 11. (Amended) A method of using the material of claim 1 comprising [Use of the recording materials according to one or more of claims 1 to 10 for the] recording [, particularly the angle-dependent recording,] of at least three [, preferably more than 100, more preferably more than 500 and most preferably more than 1000] volume holograms, at one position of the storage material.

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- 12. (Amended) A method of using the material of claim 1 comprising [Use of the recording materials according to one or more of claims 1 to 10 for the reading, particularly the] angle-dependent reading, of volume holograms.
- 13. (Amended) Holographic volume storage medium <u>comprising the</u>
 [, characterised in that it contains a] recording material according to <u>claim 1</u> [claims 1 to 10].
- 14. (Amended) Holographic volume storage medium according to claim 13, characterised in that the recording material contains one or more unsupported objects of any desired form [, preferably an unsupported two-dimensional structure, more preferably an unsupported film, there being] contained in a multilayer structure [preferably at least one substrate layer].
- 15. (Amended) Process for the preparation of the holographic volume storage medium according to <u>Claim 13 comprising</u> [at least one of claims 13 or 14, characterised in that it contains a step in which the operation is carried out according to a conventional] injection-moulding process in the range up to 300°C [, preferably up to 220°C, more preferably 180°C].

Claims 16, 17, 18 and 19 have been cancelled.

The following claims have been added:

--20. Polymers having chemically bonded dyes of formula (I)

$$X^{1}$$
 $(R^{1})_{m}$
 (I)
 $(R^{2})_{n}$

wherein

R¹ and R² each independently of the other represents hydrogen or a non ionic substituent, and

R¹ may additionally represent -X¹-R³,

m and n each independently of the other represents an integer from 0 to 4,

X¹ and X² represent -X¹¹-R³ and X²'-R⁴, respectively, and

 $X^{1'}$ and $X^{2'}$ represent a direct bond, -O-, -S-, -(N-R⁵)-, -C(R⁶R⁷)-, -(C=O)-, -(CO-O)-, -(CO-NR⁵)-, -(SO₂)-, -(SO₂-O)-, -(SO₂-NR⁵)-, -(C=NR⁸)- or -(CNR⁸-NR⁵)-,

 R^3 , R^4 , R^5 and R^8 each independently of the others represents hydrogen, C_1 - to C_{20} -alkyl, C_3 - to C_{10} -cycloalkyl, C_2 - to C_{20} -alkenyl, C_6 - to C_{10} -aryl, C_1 - to C_{20} -alkyl-(C=O)-, C_3 - to C_{10} -cycloalkyl-(C=O)-, C_2 - to C_{20} -alkenyl-(C=O)-, C_6 - to C_{10} -aryl-(C=O)-, C_1 - to C_{20} -alkyl-(SO₂)-, C_3 - to

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 $\rm C_{10}$ -cycloalkyl-(SO₂)-, $\rm C_2$ - to $\rm C_{20}$ -alkenyl-(SO₂)- or $\rm C_6$ - to $\rm C_{10}$ -aryl-(SO₂)-, or

 $X^{1'}$ - R^3 and X^2 - R^4 may represent hydrogen, halogen, cyano, nitro, CF_3 or CCI_3 ,

- R⁶ and R⁷ each independently of the other represents hydrogen, halogen, C_1 to C_{20} -alkyl, C_1 to C_{20} -alkoxy, C_3 to C_{10} -cycloalkyl, C_2 to C_{20} -alkenyl or C_6 to C_{10} -aryl.
- 21. Polymer according to claim 20, characterised in that it contains at least one monomer of formula (II)

$$S^{1} \xrightarrow{T} (Q^{1})_{i} \xrightarrow{X^{1'}} (R^{1})_{m}$$

$$(R^{2})_{n} \times X^{2}$$

wherein

R represents hydrogen or methyl, and

the other radicals are as defined above

represents hydrogen or methyl .--